



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

NATIONWIDE 1-800-424-9393
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INTERNET: <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

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Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☐ YES ☐ NO
In the absence of an authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name and address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner _____ Date ____/____/____

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) (Locate at bottom of windshield or driver's side)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1J4FY29P0VP427850	JEEP	WRANGLER	1997	
Purchase Date 01-MAY-1998	Dealer's Name _____		Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☐ Fuel Injection
☐ New ☒ Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____		No Cylinders _____	
Transmission Type ☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	Antilock Brakes ☐ Yes ☒ No	Restraint System ☒ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Bel ☐ Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control ☐ Yes ☒ No	Drive Train ☐ Front ☐ Rear ☒ 4-Wheel
Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Sport Util ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____		Body Style ☒ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other _____		

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 07300000	Part Name(s) POWER TRAIN:TRANSMISSION:AUTOMATIC	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure	Date(s) of Failure(s) 07-SEP-1999 Mileage at Failure(s) _____ 0	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ Yes ☐ No

APPLICATION INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies) on the back of this form)

Crash ☐ Yes ☐ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☒ No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag _____	Reported to Police ☒ Yes ☐ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

ON 09/07/99 AS MY JEEP WRANGLER WAS PARKED IN THE PARKING LOT OF MY BANK IT PROCEEDED TO ROLL BACKWARDS OUT OF THE PARKING LOT, ACROSS A BUSY STREET, AND INTO A CANAL (DITCH). IT LANDED ON ITS RIGHT SIDE AND WAS SUBMERSED. IT TOOK TWO TOW TRUCKS AND 3 HOURS TO PULL IT OUT. ONCE AT THE JEEP DEALERSHIP THEY INVESTIGATED TO SEE WHAT HAD HAPPENED. THEY CAME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT IT WAS THE GEAR SHIFT (WHICH HAD BEEN IN THE PARKED POSITION) BUT NEVER GAVE ANY SPECIFICS. MY INSURANCE AND I ENDED UP PAYING A TOTAL OF ABOUT \$9,000 DOLLARS. THE REPAIRS TOOK A MONTH AND A HALF, IN WHICH MY INSURANCE PAID FOR A RENTAL CAR. WHEN I ASKED ABOUT HAVING THE POWERTRAIN INVESTIGATED BY AN OUTSIDE MECHANIC THEY OFFERED TO "SELL" IT TO ME FOR \$1000 DOLLARS. I FILED A COMPLAINT WITH THE MANUFACTURER SHC

COPIES OF THIS FORM ARE:

The Privacy Act of 1974-Public Law 93-579 This information is requested pursuant to authority vested in the National Highway Traffic Safety Act and subsequent amendments. You are under no obligation to respond to this questionnaire. Your response may be used to assist the NHTSA in determining whether a manufacturer should take appropriate action to correct a safety defect. If the NHTSA proceeds with administrative enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.